

State's Goals and Priorities

The Division of Service to the Blind and Visually Impaired (SBVI) mission is to assist individuals with disabilities to obtain good jobs, economic self-sufficiency, personal independence, and full inclusion into the community. To accomplish this mission, the Board of Service to the Blind and Visually Impaired along with the Division has developed and agreed to the goals listed below. Information from the comprehensive needs assessment, an analysis of SBVI's performance on standards and indicators, RSA feedback, and input from the Board of Service to the Blind and Visually Impaired was used to develop the goals. These goals will be accomplished through the strategies described in the State Plan Attachment 4.11(d).

- Goal 1: Improve earnings, benefits and career advancement for consumers served by SBVI.
- Goal 2: Increase the number of employers that are aware of vocational rehabilitation and the potential benefits of hiring individuals who are blind or visually impaired.
- Goal 3: Provide individuals who are blind or visually impaired and have unique needs with specialized services so they can fully access the benefits of vocational rehabilitation services.
- Goal 4: Provide staff development initiatives designed to improve the expertise of staff in order to ensure the most effective delivery of services to consumers.
- Goal 5: Implement strategies so that potential applicants will have improved access to information on SBVI programs and how to apply for SBVI services.
- Goal 6: Provide high quality services to transition age consumers that will result in those individuals making sensible, informed decisions regarding their transition to either work or post-secondary education.
- Goal 7: Provide SBVI consumers with high-quality rehabilitation technology services and the latest in assistive devices.